EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA, TROOP 1 IN PAOLI, PA

HON. JIM GERLACH

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 16, 2011

Mr. GERLACH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Paoli Troop 1, Boy Scouts of America, Chester County, Pennsylvania on its 100th anniversary.

The history of Paoli Troop 1 is a long and storied one, starting with its founding as the area's first Scout Troop in 1911 at the Good Samaritan Church in Paoli, Pennsylvania. Troop 1 survived some lean early years and diminished activity during World War I, but proudly endured such challenges and, in 1924, relocated to nearby Wayne. In these early years, the Scout Law and Scout Oath were discussed in detail at the end of Troop meetings, a tradition that has been passed down to the present day.

Travel has also been a long-standing tradition of Troop 1. In 1927 and 1929, the Troop took trips to Europe, which included hiking through Scotland and parts of Brittany. On one of these trips, the Scouts met Baden Powell, founder of the Scout movement. The Troop had three mountain climbing expeditions in the Swiss Alps during 1966, 1970 and 1974, with the Troop flag having flown at the top of the Matterhorn.

Today, the Troop functions under the leadership of Scoutmaster Mike Magnotta, his assistants, and the general supervision of the Troop Committee. Its purpose, as set out in its constitution, is to promote, maintain and carry out the principles of the Boy Scouts of America and to work for the best interests of its members. The institutions and traditions of Paoli Troop 1 are many and deserve to be perpetuated for generations to come.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me today in congratulating Paoli Troop 1 and its storied history on the occasion of its 100th anniversary and to extend best wishes for the Troop's bright future.

RECOGNIZING WORLD ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY

HON. PETER T. KING

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, June 16, 2011

Mr. KING of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the sixth annual World Elder Abuse Awareness Day.

In 2006, the International Foundation for the Prevention of Elder Abuse designated June 15 as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, which recognizes elder abuse as a public health and human rights concern. Abusive acts toward the elderly can include physical and psychological abuse, physical restraint, deprivation of dignity and the choice of daily affairs, financial

exploitation and neglect. The World Health Organization has reported that between four and six percent of elderly people worldwide have experienced some form of abuse in the home. Additionally, in the United States, thirty-six percent of nursing-home employees have witnessed at least one incident of physical abuse towards an elderly patient, while forty percent admitted to psychologically abusing patients.

The abuse and neglect of older persons is a global problem, and yet it remains largely unrecognized and untreated. I join with the International Foundation for the Prevention of Elder Abuse and encourage all countries, communities, neighborhoods, and organizations to take part in today's efforts to raise awareness of this serious issue, with the goal of bringing about recognition for and ultimately an end to elder abuse and neglect.

HONORING 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FIRST URASENKE TEA GROUP CEREMONY IN THE UNITED STATES

HON. COLLEEN W. HANABUSA

OF HAWAII

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 16, 2011

Ms. HANABUSA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the 60th anniversary of the first Urasenke Tea Group ceremony in Hawaii, and the first such ceremony held in the United States. This traditional ceremony was brought to the U.S. by Dr. Genshitsu Sen, who has sought to promote peace and cultural understanding throughout the globe. Dr. Sen returned from service in World War II, making a personal vow to promote "Peacefulness through a Bowl of Tea." He is an heir to a family whose leadership in the tradition of the Japanese Way of Tea, or chado, dates back 15 generations to the 16th century.

While Honolulu was the site of the first Urasenke Tea ceremony in the country, this centuries-old Japanese tradition has extended around the world, fostering international good-will through cultural exchange. Urasenke tea groups have been established in 33 U.S. locations and in 49 countries. Dr. Sen has conducted this ceremony for world leaders and has helped to establish and teach college courses on the tradition of chado. He has led ceremonies at the United Nations, the U.S. Naval Academy and even for members of this esteemed body here on Capitol Hill.

Mr. Speaker, this occasion will be marked by a tea ceremony on the USS *Arizona* Memorial at Pearl Harbor, a most fitting location for this solemn tradition which is founded on the principles of harmony, respect, purity and tranquility.

I call attention to this significant anniversary, and the ceremony marking the occasion, in the spirit of cultural understanding and building bonds of goodwill.

HONORING CLIFTON GUNDERSON LLP

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 16, 2011

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Clifton Gunderson LLP of Saint Joseph, Missouri. This business has been chosen to receive the YWCA Women of Excellence Award for Employer of Excellence.

Innovate leadership programs for women help create an atmosphere of achievement at Clifton Gunderson LLP. The Women's Initiative Now (WIN) program helps provide leadership skills, business skills and personal growth opportunities for female employees. Flexible work arrangements help the team balance work and family goals.

The St. Joseph office is led by a female partner—the nation's first and only female company CEO—and 50 percent of office partners and 100 percent of senior managers are female. The Career Development Network program strategically pairs an experienced individual with someone in a similar area as a mentorship, and to form an individual career development plan. Through these efforts, Clifton Gunderson LLP demonstrates its commitment to promoting a culture that continually develops female leadership.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in recognizing Clifton Gunderson LLP. This business is a tremendous asset to the St. Joseph community and I am honored to represent this business in the United States Congress.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOP-MENT, FOOD AND DRUG ADMIN-ISTRATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2012

SPEECH OF

HON. LEONARD L. BOSWELL

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 14, 2011

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 2112) making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012, and for other purposes:

Mr. BOSWELL. Madam Chair, I rise in opposition to language in the agricultural appropriations bill for Fiscal Year 2012.

H.R. 2112 contains a rider that withholds funding to implement the proposed Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) rule that the authorizing committee directed the USDA to craft in the 2008 Farm Bill.

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